IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS BROWNSVILLE DIVISION

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Miguel Reta-Torres §

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

The Magistrate Court submits this Report and Recommendation to the District Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(3). This case has been referred, by order of the District Court, to the United States Magistrate Judge for the taking of a felony guilty plea and the Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure Rule 11 Allocution. All parties executed a waiver of the right to plead guilty before a United States District Judge as well as a consent to proceed before a United States Magistrate Judge.

On May 10, 2007, the defendant and counsel appeared before the Magistrate Judge, who addressed the defendant personally in open court and informed the defendant of the admonishments under Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of criminal Procedure and determined that the defendant was competent to plead guilty and fully understood said admonishments.

The defendant entered a plea of guilty of the offense of alien, having been previously convicted for illegal entry, did knowingly and willfully enter the United States at a place other than a designated port of entry, in violation of 8 U.S.C. § 1325, as alleged in count one of the Indictment. No plea agreement was entered. The Court explained to the defendant that he would be subject to sentencing pursuant to the Sentencing Guidelines promulgated by the United States Sentencing Commission. The Court also explained that parole had been abolished and that the defendant could receive a term of supervised

The Magistrate Judge finds the following:

- The defendant, with the advice of his attorney, has consented orally and in writing to enter
 this guilty plea before the Magistrate Judge, subject to final approval and sentencing by the
 District Judge;
- 2. The defendant fully understands the nature of the charges and penalties;
- The defendant understands his constitutional and statutory rights and wishes to waive these rights;
- 4. The defendant's plea is made freely and voluntarily;
- 5. The defendant is competent to enter this plea of guilty;
- 6. There is an adequate factual basis for this plea; and

Recommendation

The Magistrate Court **RECOMMENDS** that the District Court accept the plea of guilty and, after reviewing the pre-sentence investigation report, enter final judgment of guilty against the defendant.

Warnings

The parties may file objections to this Report and Recommendation. A party filing objections must specifically identify those findings or recommendations to which objections are being made. The District Court need not consider frivolous, conclusive, or general objections. <u>Battle v. United States Parole Comm'n</u>, 834 F.2d 419 (5th Cir. 1987).

A party's failure to file written objections to the proposed findings and recommendations contained within this Report within ten (10) days after being served with a copy of the Report shall bar that party from de novo review by the District Court of the proposed findings and recommendations and, except upon grounds of plain error, shall bar the party from appellate review of proposed factual findings and legal conclusions accepted by the District Court to which no objections were filed. See 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C);

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<u>Thomas v. Arn</u>, 474 U.S. 140, 150-153, 106 S.Ct. 466, 472-74 (1985); <u>Douglas v. United States' Automobile</u>
<u>Ass'n</u>, 79 F.3d 1415, 1428-29 (5th Cir. en banc 1996).

The Clerk is directed to send a copy of this Report and Recommendation to all parties.

DONE at Brownsville, Texas, this 10th day of May, 2007.

Felix Recio

United States Magistrate Judge